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From: Albright, David

Sent: Wed 3/2/2016 5:24:01 PM

Subject: Re: Tulare Formation Aquifer Exemption in Midway-Sunset Field

I'd reach back out to Chris on item 2 and share details of our Class I well locations and see if he can tell you whether the wells are within the area they are evaluating.

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 2, 2016, at 8:57 AM, Dermer, Michele < <u>Dermer.Michele@epa.gov</u>> wrote:

Two things

- 1. If they are entertaining an AE application for the Tulare in the Midway Sunset field, there must be at least a part of it that is a USDW.
- 2 . You could try the reverse and show him where our permitted Class I wells are located and ask if its within the boundary of what they are looking at. They most likely have the location of our wells in their well finder database anyway.

Make that three things

3. This was rather an uncooperative brush off. I would ask someone in HQ like Jerry Salera. Do you want me to inquire?

From: Coffman, Joel

Sent: Wednesday, March 02, 2016 6:25 AM

To: Albright, David < Albright. David @epa.gov >
Cc: Dermer, Michele < Dermer. Michele @epa.gov >

Subject: FW: Tulare Formation Aquifer Exemption in Midway-Sunset Field

From: Jones, Chris@DOC [mailto:Chris.Jones@conservation.ca.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, March 01, 2016 3:39 PM **To:** Coffman, Joel <<u>Coffman.Joel@epa.gov</u>>

Subject: RE: Tulare Formation Aquifer Exemption in Midway-Sunset Field

Hi Joel,

We are currently reviewing a preliminary rough draft of the aquifer exemption application package for Midway-Sunset. It will be subject to an iterative review and revision process for the next few months.

Unfortunately, I do not have a map of the proposed aquifer exemption limits that is ready to share. The limits of the proposed aquifer exemption, along with the supporting data, still need to undergo review from our District, HQ, and the State Water Board.

Best regards,

Chris

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From: Coffman, Joel [mailto:Coffman.Joel@epa.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, March 1, 2016 1:41 PM

To: Jones, Chris@DOC < Chris.Jones@conservation.ca.gov >

Subject: Tulare Formation Aguifer Exemption in Midway-Sunset Field

Hello Chris:

I got your name off a spreadsheet provided by CDOGGR recently that shows CDOGGR staff that are working on the various aquifer exemption (AE) packages for Class II injection throughout the state. I am contacting you as I manage the Class I UIC Permit here at EPA Region 9 for the Sunrise Power Plant, located near Fellows, California, within the Midway-Sunset field. Sunrise has recently applied for a renewal of their existing permit to continue injection Class I waste into injection wells we previously permitted. During the renewal process, it has come to our attention that none of the injection zone (Tulare formation) has been exempted for either Class I or Class II injection.

My questions are:

Do you know when you will receive the AE package for the Tulare Formation of the Midway-Sunset Field?

Do you have a current map of the Tulare Formation within the Midway-Sunset Field that is being proposed for AE so that I may look to see if the Sunrise Power Plant project and their

Class I wells are included in that area proposed for AE?

Thanks, and if you have any questions, please call.

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